

WIZARD DELIGHTS WIZARD AUDIENCE

"Nate" Leipsic Performs
Startling Tricks.

SEANCE OF MAGIC CIRCLE

Professionals Acknowledge Him Cleverest Card Manipulator in Either Hemisphere.

LONDON, April 15.—Amateur conjurers are taking pride in the fact that at little social evenings they are now regarded as greater attractions than the best amateur vocalists.

It was an American conjurer who by common consent, was adjudged the cleverest of all, at an unprecedented entertainment given in St. George's Hall the other night. It was, in point of fact, an entertainment of wizards by wizards. "The Magic Circle," which is a club consisting of all the leading professional and amateur conjurers in London, gave its first seance, and half a dozen of the leading wizards of the world performed some of their latest and most wonderful tricks.

The peculiar interest in the proceedings was that the wizards on the stage attempted to mystify the wizards in the auditorium, and in most instances they succeeded in their difficult task, but, according to the Daily Express, the cleverest performance came when Nate Leipsic took the stage.

A Young American.

Mr. Leipsic is a young American, who has already taken the West End by storm, and is quite the rage at society entertainments. He is said by his brothers to be a wizard to be far and away the cleverest card manipulator in either hemisphere, and his wizardry justified his reputation.

He showed half a dozen amazing tricks. First he held his fingers out in the limelight, and little red flames appeared on the ends of one or another and then on all of them, and then disappeared with equal mystery. The assembled wizards shouted their admiration of the tricks.

Then he put the ordinary card changing trick completely in the shade by changing the top card of the pack merely by passing the palm of his pack over it. He had a committee of expert wizards standing on the stage all around him, and not one of them could see how he deceived them. Then holding a card out in full view of the audience, he wet his finger and rubbed one of the spots on it. The spot disappeared and the five became a four.

Then he got four wizards to take the four aces out of the pack and to replace them where they liked. He had merely to smack the pack smartly with his open hand, with the four wizards watching closely, and ace after ace appeared on the top.

More Mystifying Still.

More mystifying still was his ability to tell a card which some one had chosen. Some one looked at a card and replaced it in the pack, then the same person counted the pack out into Mr. Leipsic's hand and stopped at any card. He then counter chose, but it always happened that he stopped at his chosen card without knowing it.

Finally Mr. Leipsic put a coin on the back of his hand. The coin at once began rolling over and over on its side, round and round and round each finger, and so on round his whole hand, back and front.

He put a table knife on some one's hand and by Eastern placing his hand upon it lifted it up. He spread a pack of cards on his palm and turned his hand over, and the cards remained against his palm and he walked down to let the audience see that there was no deception.

LAD'S MERRY RIDE RESULTS IN HIS DEATH

BURLINGTON, N. J., April 15.—Harry, the seven-year-old son of Jacob Welch, of this city, climbed upon the step of a beer wagon and was having a merry ride. When the wagon reached a railroad crossing the driver failed to see an approaching express until it was nearly upon him. He whipped up his horses and had almost cleared the tracks when the train struck the rear of the wagon.

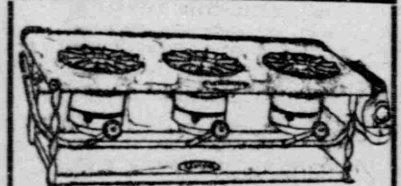
SOUVENIRS FOR WEAVER FROM HALF BURIED HULK

OCEAN CITY, N. J., April 15.—Mayor Weaver, of Philadelphia, will take home with him rare souvenirs of his visit to this resort. The mayor was taken out to the half-buried hulk of the steamer Schmdia, which came ashore here several years ago.

Abel D. Scull, in a diver's suit, went down into the hold of the vessel and presently returned with two beautiful vases. Another trip yielded a punch bowl, and the three pieces were presented to the mayor, who expressed his delight in the unique relics.

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See Third Term Signs In Roosevelt's Speech At Cornerstone Laying

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LIKELY TO WIN HOUSE

Varying Views of Members
Over President's Series
of Proposals.

"A few more speeches like that, and it will be useless to continue the assumption that the President is not to be a factor in the 1908 race," said a politician this morning. He was talking to a group of House members about the "muck-rack" speech of Saturday, the speech whose expected sensational attack on the yellow writers was eclipsed in sensationalism by the series of proposals that the President made in the direction of a legislative program for the future.

"Read that speech carefully," continued the member, "and you will find that it maps out a program of legislative effort big enough to keep a strenuous Administration busy throughout a Presidential term. It can't be tackled this Administration, because there is more business on hand than will be dispatched, without taking up income tax or inheritance tax or Federal licensing of corporations or further regulation of interstate commerce."

Another Democratic Plank Stolen.

Politicians have talked of little else since Saturday, than the significance of this address. The feature in it of over-shadowing concern to them was the declaration of the President's conviction that a graduated tax on inheritances, to prevent the piling up of huge fortunes, was becoming necessary. Of course, this is branded by the conservatives as dangerous radicalism. But now it sounded to the ears of the politicians is suggested by the remark that a Republican Senator made to his neighbor, as they sat listening to the President's address: "One more Democratic plank stolen," sentimentally commented the Senator. He was a Republican, too; and when he was asked later what he thought about the suggestion of a graduated tax on inheritances, he replied that he rather approved of the theft. He agreed with the President that the question of these immense fortunes needs attention.

Rate Legislation Only the Beginning.

Yet this, though the most striking thing by way of proposed innovation, was not nearly all of it that was contained in the speech. The President indicated his opinion that the rate legislation of this session is a "beginning" toward that class of reforms. He doesn't assume that a transportation millenium is to be precipitated by the enactment of the Hepburn bill. In this he is fully agreed with the great majority of advocates of regulation. They think the Hepburn bill only a step.

What the next step is that the President has in mind can only be guessed. He didn't say that it was Federal licensing or incorporation of corporations engaged in interstate commerce; but he did suggest such a program as desirable and logical. Representative Martin, with his Federal licensing proposal, and Senator Newlands, with his proposal of Federal incorporation of interstate railroads, are both able to find most satisfying evidence in the speech that the President sympathizes with their views. In fact, the two proposals are not so different in essence; it is rather a difference in degree.

Work for Another Term.

But, if these are the issues to which the President wants public thought directed with a view to ultimately making them into law, when does he expect the actual legislation done? This session has more than its hands full. Next session—apologies to Speaker Cannon and Chairman Payne and the other standard-bearers—is going to hit the tariff on its hands. It is plain enough that if the

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series of new issues that the President has suggested is to be made a definite legislative program, or the basis of one, that program cannot be carried out after a Presidential election. The next House will be closer; partisan feeling will be stronger; what more natural than that the people insist that the man who proposed them continue as leader till they are enacted?

That is the reasoning of some politicians. There are others who see it a little differently. These declare that the President has merely supplied some talking ground which his party's speakers may occupy in the coming Congressional campaign. It will help them avoid the tariff; it will help them avoid the suit of the radicals; it will rob the Democrats of their claim to being the only folks with the interests of the plain people at heart.

This is the aspect which, perhaps more than any other, appeals to Republican Congressmen who have troubles at home. Said one of these:

"Now if the House will order the Ways and Means Committee to sit during recess and take evidence on the tariff question, with a view to reporting whether legislation is necessary, and what it is, the Democrats will have been robbed of all the advantage with which they have apparently been armed. It has looked bad for Republicans up to this time. I think half the House Republicans have been expecting the next House to be Democratic. But give the country assurance that we have the tariff in mind, and that some more progressive policies are just beyond that, and we will come back here with comfortable control of the next House."

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CAMERA EXHIBITION ASSURED SUCCESS

Capital Club's Fifteenth Annual Competition Has Many Entries—Jury of Selection Chooses 250 to Show in Corcoran Gallery—Exhibit Opens April 22.

The success of the fifteenth annual exhibition of the Capital Camera Club was assured when the jury of selection met on Wednesday evening and found that more than 400 prints had been submitted by local cameramen. From this number they selected about 250 to be placed upon the walls of the Hemicycle of the Corcoran Gallery of Art. The exhibition will be open to the public from April 22 to May 1, inclusive. Week days 9:30 to 4. Nights, 8 to 9:30. Sundays, 1:30 to 4:30.

The jury of selection consisted of the following artists: Messrs Brooke, Moser, Messer, MacDonald, and Miss Mueden. Dr. Herbert and Messrs Fairman, Daw, and Dillman compose the committee on exhibition.

The list of exhibitors includes the names of W. S. Adams, Dr. W. W. Al-leger, W. C. Babcock, Charles Baker, Miss Jane Bartlett, Mrs. J. E. Bennett, F. M. Boteler, C. O. Buckingham, P. H. Christie, Miss Isabel Cowland, E. L. Crandle, Miss K. S. Curry, W. S. Clime, F. C. Crow, E. J. Daw, W. S. Davenport, Dr. W. E. Dieffenberger, J. W. L. Dillman, C. E. Fairman, J. D. Hasson, John Helms, Dr. W. P. Herbst, L. M. Lamm, C. H. Leighton, Lewis Lowe, R. W. Magee, C. M. Mansfield, J. A. Massie, T. A. Mullett, W. M. Netherland, W. F. Peabody, W. H. E. Reinecke, E. E. Richards, W. S. Rossiter, S. Saloman, J. L. Shaw, W. S. Sheetz, J. H. Snapp, Dr. Andrew Stewart, O. G. Waters, G. G. Whitney, Miss Helen Williams, Miss R. L. Webster, T. B. White, Capt. J. J. Woodward, V. H. Whitman.

WRONG MAN LIBERATED, NOW SHERIFF IS SUED TO BE HARVARD HOST

Right Party for Whom Bond Was Given Asks Damages of Ten Thousand Dollars.

NEW YORK, April 15.—Through a mistake of the bond clerk in the sheriff's office the wrong prisoner was released from Ludlow street jail Friday, and the right man did not get his liberty until the next day. As a consequence Sheriff Nicholas J. Hayes is to be made defendant in a suit for \$10,000 damages. Ernest Wise was the sufferer, and Frederick S. Coughlan the lucky man. Wise is a liquor salesman, and was locked up several days in a suit for a debt of \$200. His employers furnished bail for him Friday, and his lawyer demanded his instant release. The bond clerk telephoned that Wise would be given his liberty in an hour, but next morning, when he had not reported for duty, the lawyer found Coughlan had been released on the bond given for Wise. Of course Wise was set free, but his employers are on the bond also of Coughlan, a man of whom they had never heard.

Warden Anderson, of the jail, said he had acted solely under instructions from the sheriff's office, receiving an order for the release of Coughlan, which he obeyed. There was nothing to indicate that Wise was the man meant.

The warden added that Coughlan was surprised at his release, not knowing his bondsmen, and the official expressed a hope that he would return after enjoying an Easter vacation.

DUKE OF VALLOMBROSA TO BE HARVARD HOST

Grandson of New York Banker Will Entertain Classmates and Friends Tonight.

NEW YORK, April 15.—Louis De Mores, Duke of Vallobrosa, now an undergraduate at Harvard, will entertain a large party of his classmates and friends tonight at Delmonico's to celebrate his coming of age. His mother, the widowed Marquise de Mores, was Miss Medora Hoffman, daughter of Louis Hoffman, one of the oldest members of the Union Club, and for many years one of the leading bankers of this city.

Hoffman inherited the title of baron from his father, but unlike his brothers, deemed it to be incompatible with his American citizenship. It is by his wish that his French grandson is receiving his education in the United States. The late Marquis de Mores spent a number of years ranching in the West, where he formed a close friendship with Theodore Roosevelt. He was massacred by Arabs in the African desert, just south of Tunis, while engaged in a foolhardy attempt to reach Khartoum in time to help the Mahadiga against the English under Lord Kitchener.

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RUSSIAN MUNICIPALITIES PREPARING FOR STRIKE

Moscow and St. Petersburg Making Ready for Political Uprising Late in Spring.

BERLIN, April 15.—Moscow and St. Petersburg are preparing for a general political strike, the fourth of the kind since last October.

The combined revolutionary committees have decided to hold a session in Finland in the middle of April for the purpose of planning the strike, which is to be a protest against the duma, and against the mass arrests, which have been in progress during the past three months.

The release of Khristoff, the imprisoned chairman of the Council of Workmen's Deputies, will probably be put in the forefront of the demands. The Moscow workmen threaten a repetition of the armed outbreak of December.

The authorities a month ago gave up searching arriving railroad passengers, and since then large quantities of arms have been smuggled into the city. The Prokhoroff factory, which played such a part in the last outbreak, is now being shut down during the summer. Most of the other factories are favorable.

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EARL AND HIS EX-WIFE DO RIVIERA TOGETHER

Chauffeur Husband of Rosslyn's Former Spouse One of Merry Trio at Monte Carlo.

MONTE CARLO, April 15.—"I must go and sit for a couple of hours with poor, dear Harry," said Mrs. Charles Jarrott to a friend here. "Harry" is none other than the Earl of Rosslyn, who is laid up with a ruptured muscle, the cause of which was a fit of violent coughing.

Mrs. Jarrott, now the wife of a noted racing chauffeur, formerly was the Countess of Rosslyn, whom the earl divorced for desertion before he married Miss Anna Robinson.

The earl returned here from England a week ago. Since that time he has been seen many times with his ex-wife, taking her to the Casino, going to luncheon with her and motoring with her almost daily up to the time he fell into the hands of a physician. When Mr. Jarrott turned up here he joined his wife and her ex-husband, and they made up, apparently, the jolliest kind of a trio on the Riviera. This continued up to the time of the earl's strange accident, but it was observed that the new Countess of Rosslyn had no part in the happy family reunion. It is said that she returned to London as soon as she saw the tawdry affairs had taken.

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